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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/973,458  
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Enclosed please find a response to the April 7, 2006 Office Action in the above referenced application.


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 Venkata Katikaneni, et al. ) Customer No.: 00919  
 ) Examiner: Rutao Wu  
 Serial No.: 09/973,458 ) Group Art Unit: 3629  
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 Confirmation # 8314 ) Date: July 7, 2006  
 Title: Mailing System Having Flexible Printing of Messages

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

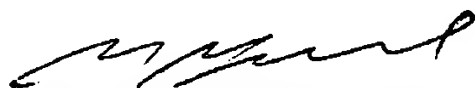
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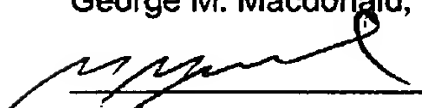
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This communication is submitted in response to the April 7, 2006 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due July 7, 2006 and this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendments to the Claims; and
2. Remarks.

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